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Re: Revival of patent application #: 09/515,748

Dear Petition Examiner,

Please consider my request for revival of patent application number 09/515,748 to pending status. I am making this petition per the rule 37 CFR 1.137(m) under the unintentional abandonment section. My failure to submit a proper reply to the previous office actions was the result of my lack of experience with the various requirements and formatting for such replies. The improper/inadequate reply was unintentional on my part.

As an independent inventor attempting to prosecute this application on my own, I have needed to familiarize myself with these requirements for the first time. I have received no assistance from the examiner with the formatting required for a proper reply. I am willing to make every effort to satisfy these requirements, and I believe that the documents are corrected now.

Enclosed are the amended "clean" and "marked-up" original versions of the application documents. Please replace the original application documents with the amended "clean" versions included here. The format (not the content) of these documents has been extensively modified from those submitted with the original application.

Please notice that the enclosed document "Responses to References Cited" outlines the differences between this invention and the prior art.

No terminal disclaimer is required, as this is a utility patent application.

Thank you for your consideration of this petition for the revival of patent number 09/515,748. Please contact me at 312-285-7998 for further questions.



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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ben Pacocha".

Ben Pacocha

- Enclosure:
- Check for petition fee (\$640)
  - Clean and marked-up versions of the:
    - a. Specification
    - b. Drawings
    - c. Claims
    - d. Abstract
  - Responses to references cited
  - Additional copy of the drawings for the draftsman  
(both clean and marked-up versions)

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